

COUNTY COUNCIL
OF
HARFORD COUNTY, MARYLAND

BILL NO. 03-14

Introduced by Council Member Stepp
Legislative Day No. 03-9 Date April 1, 2003

AN ACT to repeal and reenact, with amendments, Article XXVIII, Harford County Cultural Arts Board, of Part 3, Authoritative Boards and Commissions, of Chapter 9, Boards, Commission, Councils and Agencies, of the Harford County Code, as amended; to establish that a certain member be a nonvoting member; to establish the voting rights of the Board's Chair; and generally relating to the Harford County Cultural Arts Board.

By the Council, April 1, 2003

Introduced, read first time, ordered posted and public hearing scheduled

on: May 20, 2003
May 6, 2003 Change due to Aegis failure to
advertise
at: 7:15 p.m. 7:00 p.m.

By Order: Mary Kate Harbig, Acting Council Administrator

PUBLIC HEARING

Having been posted and notice of time and place of hearing and title of Bill having been published according to the Charter, a public hearing was held on May 20, 2003, and concluded on, May 20, 2003.

Mary Kate Harbig, Acting Council Administrator

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW. [Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law. Underlining indicates language added to Bill by amendment. Language lined through indicates matter stricken out of Bill by amendment.

Section 1. Be It Enacted By The County Council of Harford County, Maryland, That
Article XXVIID, Harford County Cultural Arts Board, of Part 3, Authoritative Boards and
Commissions, of Chapter 9, Boards, Commissions, Councils and Agencies, of the Harford
County Code, as amended, be and it is hereby repealed and reenacted, with amendments, all to
read as follows:

Chapter 9. Boards, Commissions, Councils and Agencies.

Part 3. Authoritative Boards and Commissions.

ARTICLE XXVIID. Harford County Cultural Arts Board.

Section 9-176.11. Establishment.

A. There is a Harford County Cultural Arts Board.

B. The Board is an agency of the County Council.

C. The budget for the Board shall be listed as a separate division under the County Council
budget.

Section 9-176.12. Membership.

A. The Board consists of 15 members appointed by the County Council;

(1) 14 citizen representatives, 2 appointed by each Council member; and

(2) A member of the County Council, [appointed by the Council] WHO IS AN EX
OFFICIO, NONVOTING MEMBER.

B. The Board members shall:

(1) Be residents of the county; and

(2) Insofar as possible, be representative of the county's population with respect to
race, gender, political affiliation and geography.

Section 9-176.13. Terms of office; vacancies.

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- 1 A. The terms of the members are coterminous with that of the County Council.
- 2 B. At the end of a term, a member continues to serve until a successor is appointed and qualifies.
- 3 C. A vacancy on the Board shall be filled in the manner of original appointment.

4 Section 9-176.14. Meetings; quorum; absences.

- 5 A. The Board shall meet at least 9 times per year.
- 6 B. Eight members of the Board constitute a quorum.
- 7 C. Unless the absences are explained to the satisfaction of the Board, a member with unexcused
- 8 absences for 3 or more consecutive Board meetings is deemed to have resigned, and the Board shall
- 9 notify the County Council of the resignation. Within 60 calendar days after receiving the notice, the
- 10 County Council shall appoint a replacement for the member.
- 11 D. Each member of the Board shall serve without compensation but may be reimbursed for
- 12 reasonable and necessary expenses incurred in the discharge of their duties.

13 Section 9-176.15. Officers.

- 14 A. The Board shall annually select FROM AMONG ITS VOTING MEMBERS a Chairperson, a
- 15 Vice Chairperson and a Secretary [from among its members].
- 16 B. THE CHAIRPERSON SHALL ONLY BE PERMITTED TO VOTE WHEN THE CHAIR'S
- 17 VOTE WILL BREAK OR CREATE A TIE VOTE.
- 18 [B] C. The Board may elect any other officers it deems necessary.

19 Section 9-176.16. Powers and duties.

- 20 A. The Board shall have the following powers and duties:
- 21 (1) To promote and support the overall development of arts and culture in Harford County;

- (2) To provide, subject to limitations of available funds, financial support through the awarding of grants to artists, art institutions and community organizations sponsoring art or cultural activities pursuant to the regulations and policies of the Board;
- (3) To encourage local government and citizen interest in the arts and culture;
- (4) To apply for and accept grants from the state, county or federal government or any other funding source;
- (5) To accept and process nominations for Harford Living Treasures;
- (6) To encourage and promote programs that will enhance the appreciation and enjoyment of the arts and culture by all citizens of Harford County;
- (7) To evaluate, through the Chairman, jointly with the Council Administrator, the performance of the Coordinator;
- (8) To act as the official arts council for Harford County in order to accept and disburse funds from the Maryland State Arts Council;
- (9) To ensure that the artists in education program receive at least the minimum state required funding from the grant received from the Maryland State Arts Council;
- (10) To provide a report to the County Council of its activities by March 31 of each year; and
- (11) To ensure that the County Auditor annually conducts a financial audit of the funds received and disbursed by the Board.

B. The Board may:

- (1) Accept any gift;
- (2) Adopt regulations to carry out the purposes of this article; and
- (3) Adopt bylaws governing the conduct of its business.

1 C. Regulations and bylaws adopted under Subsection B of this section are not effective until
2 approved by the County Council.

3 Section 2. And Be It Further Enacted that this Act shall take effect 60 calendar days from the date
4 it becomes law

EFFECTIVE: July 29, 2003

*The Acting Council Administrator does hereby certify
that fifteen (15) copies of this Bill are immediately available
for distribution to the public and the press.*

Mary Kate Hendry
Acting Council Administrator

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Brief Title Harford County Cultural Arts Board

is herewith submitted to the County Council of Harford County for enrollment as being the text as finally passed.

CERTIFIED TRUE AND CORRECT

Mary Kate Hurlberg
Acting Administrator

Date May 29, 2003

ENROLLED

Robert S. Wagner
Council President

Date May 28 03

BY THE COUNCIL

Read the third time.

Passed: LSD 03-15

Failed of Passage: _____

By Order

Mary Kate Hurlberg
Acting Council Administrator

Sealed with the County Seal and presented to the County Executive for approval this 29th day of May, 2003 at 3:00 p.m.



Mary Kate Hurlberg
Acting Council Administrator

BY THE EXECUTIVE

James M. Harkins
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

APPROVED: Date 5-30-03

BY THE COUNCIL

This Bill (No.03-14), having been approved by the Executive and returned to the Council, becomes law on May 30, 2003.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 29, 2003

Mary Kate Hurlberg
Acting Council Administrator